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STATE ROUTE 138 SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT PROGRESS

San Bernardino County - Caltrans continues the safety improvement work on State Route 138 (SR-138) just west of Interstate 15 (I-15). SR-138 is closed from Hess Road west to State Route 2 (SR-2). The good news is that the contractor is making great progress on the drainage and paving work within the closed section. A signal is also being installed at the intersection of SR-138 and SR-2.

The full closure began on June 11 and will continue for only about eight more weeks.

Caltrans will modify some of the detour signs to direct motorists to use the alternate routes that are available. All businesses along the route are open. Motorists destined to outlying regions are discouraged from taking local roads to bypass the detour. The increase in traffic along local county roads has increased concern because of the high risk of fire. Local roads are restricted to local traffic only and other motorists will be cited.

The designated detour is as follows:

- From Palmdale to easterly areas - take SR-138 to SR-18 to Route 395 to I-15.

Caltrans expects the entire project to be complete shortly after the reopening of the closed section on September 11, 2007.

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